

2.A OASDI: Benefit Computation & Automatic Adjustments

Table 2.A13.—Formulas for computing maximum family benefit from PIA, and increases in maximum based on cost-of-living adjustments, for workers who attained age 62 or died (before attaining age 62) in 1979 or later

Act	Year of first eligibility	Percent of PIA applicable to maximum family benefit				First applicable cost-of-living adjustment	
		150 percent of first—	Plus 272 percent of next—	Plus 134 percent of next—	Plus 175 percent above—	Effective for—	Percent increase
1977 ¹	1979	\$230	\$102	\$101	\$433	June 1979	9.9
	1980	248	110	109	467	1980	14.3
	1981	270	120	118	508	1981	11.2
	1982	294	131	129	554	1982	7.4
	1983	324	144	142	610	Dec. 1983	3.5
	1984	342	151	150	643	1984	3.5
	1985	358	159	158	675	1985	3.1
	1986	379	169	166	714	1986	1.3
	1987	396	175	174	745	1987	4.2
	1988	407	181	179	767	1988	4.0
	1989	433	193	190	816	1989	4.7
	1990	455	201	200	856	1990	5.4
	1991	473	209	208	890	1991	3.7
	1992	495	219	217	931	1992	3.0
	1993	513	227	226	966	1993	2.6
	1994	539	240	237	1,016	1994	2.8
	1995	544	241	239	1,024	1995	2.6
	1996	559	247	246	1,052	1996	2.9
	1997	581	258	255	1,094	1997	2.1
	1998	609	271	267	1,147	1998	1.3
	1999	645	286	283	1,214	1999	...

¹ The 1977 amendments provided for annual automatic adjustments of bend points (PIA brackets) in maximum family benefit formula in proportion to increases

in average wage level. As a result, separate formulas are applicable to workers first eligible in successive calendar years.

Table 2.A14.—Formulas for computing maximum family benefit, and increases in maximum based on cost-of-living adjustments, for workers first eligible for disability benefits in 1979 or later

Act	Year of first eligibility	Formula for maximum family benefit
1977 ¹	1979 ²	150% of first \$230 of PIA + 272% of next \$102 of PIA + 134% of next \$101 of PIA + 175% of PIA over \$433. ³
	1980 ²	150% of first \$248 of PIA + 272% of next \$110 of PIA + 134% of next \$109 of PIA + 175% of PIA over \$467. ³
1980 ⁴	1979 or later	Smaller of (1) 85% of AIME or 100% of PIA, or larger, and (2) 150% of PIA ⁵

¹ The 1977 amendments provided for annual automatic adjustments of bend points (PIA brackets) in maximum family benefit formula in proportion to increases in average wage level. As a result, separate formulas are applicable to workers first eligible in successive calendar years.

² Applicability of formula limited to workers with initial entitlement before July 1980, as a result of 1980 amendments.

³ Calculated amount subject to cost-of-living adjustments beginning with the one

effective for June of the year of first eligibility.

⁴ Formula for computing maximum family benefit revised effective for workers with initial entitlement in or after July 1980. New formula remains unchanged for workers eligible in successive calendar years because it has no bend points requiring adjustments.

⁵ Calculated amount subject to cost-of-living adjustments beginning with the one effective in year of first eligibility (or in 1981, if later).